# LOSS OF THE CONVOY

Through Slowly.

BRITISH WERE OUTGENERALED

the Boers Had Withdrawn from the Water Works, Leaving the British Wounded Behind-No Particulars of the Fighting Which Followed the Capture of the Gans-Broadwood's Casualties 350.

April 3, 4 a. m .- The Times war with Gen. Roberts' army only detailed account yet receivemfontein, Saturday. Details Gen. Roberts' last dispatch, are reported to have retired from rks in the direction of Thaba

nadwood reported to Lord Rob-Friday that he had information Boers are advancing on Thaba east, and he was ordered ion. Accordingly the fontein began at 4 ock in the afternoon. He was forced ack Friday night at the Bloemterworks, south of the Modder

with the transport and two batteries ry, resumed the retreat and o an ambush. The Boers had mana steep dunga half a mile from the eighteen miles from Here the whole convoy was large portion of it was compelled to The remainder burst out with s, but seven were left in the hands

he severest casualties were suffered

Saturday's Engagement. The Boers held the waterworks and a

assistance from Bloemfontein, and, back the Boers beyond the ridge ying the southern bank, but the ld soon be afforded burghers who are

aturday the Boers who followed Col. roadwood from Thaba N'chu again lopted the tactics which had worked ad allowed the convoy to come right

ay for Gen. Smith Dorrien's brigade, walls led, with the Shropshires

three of the enemy's guns placed er on Macdonald's front, escaped firing shrapnel at too long tager at the foot of the hills with our convoy to the rear. n blyouacked on the river bank night, awaiting the arrival of French's cavalry.

Later Details of the Ambush. er commando, which outmaneuvered Col. Broadom Thaba Nehu, campreak the Boers opened a out toward Bloemfon-The road leads over a under construction wagons dropped into n to the rear of the column U Battery was blank range, but Maj.

sacort later received the cut and galloped off. The bed a nurderous fire at stampeding the mules of fivers of which had distributed for the Boers. Q batt 300 yards and gallantly the the situation. Even-ind one officer were left may. Seeing it was use-officer extricated fiver of horses each. The bough the cordon to the

eight or ten thousand Boers, with artilentrated upon it from at least sides. The Boer tactics are simple roperly met, and the Boer strategy is no Details of the Reverse Coming all, the Boers have some brains, and Hon. Webster Davis Resigns yet shown to be of a high order, but, after ritish officers have too often behaved as if dealing with congenital idiots.

if a force had to be kept at Thaba surely it was not difficult to sur mise that its isolation would tempt the Boers to attack, and this conjecture once made, it followed that every precaution should have been taken to obtain early nformation of what might be on foot, so that either retirement or prompt re-en-forcement would be practicable. Yet, so far as can be seen, Col. Broadwood knew othing until an attack by a vastly superior body was imminent, and a pre cipitate retreat was judged necessary. Another Grave Oversight.

"Even then, so far as present informa on allows us to judge, it would seem that the possibility of meeting a fresh body of Boers on the way to Bloemfon tein had not occurred to anybody, and a natural position which positively invited Boers to lay in ambush did not cre ate the smallest misgiving in the mill-tary mind. One is involuntarily reminded of the observation made by the late Gen. Joubert to an Erglish friend, some little time before the war began. He said, Your officers have not much brains, and what is far worse, they don't believe other people have any,"

### DEFENSE OF THE VAAL.

### Boers Increasing in Numbers at Points North of Kimberley.

Kimberley, Sunday, April 1.-There is a great Boer activity along the Vaal River. About 6,000 burghers have assembled at various points and Fourteen Streams and Christiania. About 700 men are occupy ing Witrand, north of Klipdam, and 490 men are laagered at Boetsap.

Kenhardt was formally reoccupied Sat arday. The report that the Boers are ssing in the vicinity of Taunga and Klipdam is confirmed.

Lord Methuen's difficulties are appar ntly increasing. He has Boer laagers or guerrilla bands on three sides of him, and he will be obliged to watch carefully his ommunications with Orange River.

## LORD ROBERTS' DISPATCHES.

### Official Reports of the Disaster-Number of Guns Lost Given as Seven.

London, April 2.- The war office has re ceived a dispatch from Lord Roberts lated at Bloemfontein, Sunday, April 1, :15 p. m., in which he gives a partial list of the missing British officers. Of Q Battery, four officers were wounded, two of om are missing. One gunner was killed, and forty non-commissioned officers and men are wounded or missing. Lord Roberts then continues:
"In the U Battery all are missing except

Maj Taylor and a sergeant-major. The cavalry regiments did not suffer so much. "A report has just come in that the enemy has retired toward Ladybrand, leaving twelve wounded officers and some seventy men at the waterworks. We are now

Lord Roberts says:
"I received news late yesterday aftermoon from Col. Broadwood, who was at Thaba Nchu, thirty-eight miles east of here, that information had reached him united States, beginning next Sunday and the control of the dwood from Thaba N'chu again that the enemy was approaching in two forces, from the north and the east. He stated that if the report proved true he would retire toward the waterworks, seving the state of the state

"Broadwood was told in reply that the "When Gen. Colville arrived to re-en- Ninth Division, with Martyr's Mounted have had several consultations on the force Col. Broadwood with the Ninth Di- Infantry, would march at daylight to-day although almost destitute of to support him, and that if he consid- understood that the latter personally tenmounted men and having marched eight- ered it necessary he should retire from dered his resignation on both occasion een miles, from Bloemfontein, he de- the waterworks. He moved there during termined to turn the Boer position by day he was shelled by the enemy, who day he was shelled by the enemy, who attacked on three sides. He immediately sible. the enemy. Accordingly, he dispatched two horse artillery batteries xtended MacDonald's brigade, the Argyll and his baggage toward Bloemfontein, ad Sutherland Highlanders, and the covering some of them with his cavalry Black Watch leading, and the Seaforth the road crosses a deep nullah, or spruit, in which during the night a force of Boers me two miles from the waterworks

ced against the main drift, leading to had concealed themselves. So well were they hidden that our leading scouts passed over the drift without discovering waterworks. Col. Martyrs, with the unted infantry, who was severely enged with the enemy all day en the left, shed forward on the front to clear the typical for Gen. Smith Dorrien's brigade, tended similarly to MacDonald's. Adning over the rolling veldt leading with the valley of the Modder, Smith brigade, attempted another with the martinery brigade attempted another life, which typical the market of the drift without discovering them, and it was not until the wagons them. And the wagons them, and it was not until the wagons them, and it was not until the wagons them, and it was not until the wagons them. And the south African republic and the Orange Free State.

"I which I feel for the struggling people of the South African republic and the Orange Free State.

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wood's force crossed. They reformed with rever asked for leave of absence in the

Arrive at Lourenco Marquez. Lourenco Marquez, April 2.-Capt. Halof the Gordon Highlanders, and leers, who escaped from Pretoria, after an American from an Englishman, and It appears that after Winston Churchill's thing direful. I had made up my mind, light was installed, additional barricades the Boer version of the controversy were constructed, and the officers were which had led to such bloody conclusions.

unsuccessful attempts they succeeded in ing was permitted to reach the outside as the camp upsaddled and cutting off the electric light, but even world except what it suited the British then the street lamps precluded an attempt to escape, and they decided to hide in the space beneath the building to which a trapdoor had previously been secretly constructed, as it had been announced that the officers would be re-

postponed, and the two men, in the damp, subterranean dwelling, began to despair, and commenced digging in different directions in the hope of finding a suitable exit. The work was most arduous, as the foregoing dispatch, looking at the clever caricatures on the war leader this morning, walls drawn by the prisoners.

ms to have been some serious the from ation possessed by it's of the Boer movements it's incredible that a small have been left in the air thirse from the main army, while reached the street.

# CHAMPION OF LIBERTY

to Speak for the Boers.

TAKES UP CAUSE OF REPUBLICS

Voluntarily Relinquishes His Office of As-May Speak to Americans in Behalf of a Brave People Who Are Struggling to the Death Against the Oppression of Great Britain-Deserving of Our Sympathy.

Hon. Webster Davis yesterday sent his Secretary of the Interior in order to have reau, and say: no restriction placed upon him in giving free vent to his views on the South Afri-

Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock said that the announcement of Mr. Davis' intention to resign was a complete surprise to him. He had expected that Mr. Davis would resume his duties, although he had not seen or heard anything of him since his return until yesterday, when he was informed that he was to resign. It was said at the Interfor Department that the best of feeling prevailed between Mr. Davis and the other officials.

At the White House no statement was obtained concerning the resignation other



tions and careful study of the situation, Mr. Davis concluded that the Boer side has been systematically obscured, per-verted, and misrepresented by the British officials and the British press, and that mperative that complete protection lid soon be afforded by release protection lid soon be afforded by release as they appear to a

> we have a detachment of mounted infan-try for the protection of the works. mains in the service of the government. It is known that he and the President subject since Mr. Davis' return, and it is broadly stating his object in doing so, but the night and bivouacked. At dawn to-

When asked why he had resigned, Mr. Davis last evening said to The Post reporter:

"I have to-day tendered my resignation to the President as Assistant Secretary of the Interior because of the deep sympathy which I feel for the struggling people of

of the should, Shith the Shrowshires of the enemy's original advance the Gordons my, by which the remainder of Broadman, and we were neighbors my, by which the remainder of Broadman, and we were neighbors when we lived in Kansas City. I had Battery Wrongly Placed.

Some reason Lieut. Col. Flint's was detached at 2 o'clock to hit, where they remained for a continuous period shelling at 5.000 yards' meriod shelling at 5.000 yards casualties at about 300, including 200 mins of the enemy's guns placed in the vicinity of Broadwood's L. Consequently a large force my, visible on the far side of on Macdonald's front, escaped and fell back slowly as our dealer of the Ninth Division. The latter, after a magnificent march, arrived on the scene and fell back slowly as our dealer. Finally Flint's guns dealer of the Ninth Division are consisted of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hus-

"Broadwood's force consisted of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry, the Tenth Hussars, Q and U Batteries of the Royal Household Cavalry the Service of the Royal Household Cavalry the Service of the Royal Household Cavalry the Service of the Royal Hussars t

## Wanted to See and Hear Both Sides.

"I was advised not to go, and on every hand was told that the Ecers would not have sufficient intelligence to distinguish that my fate would certainly be somecape the sentries were doubled, electric however, to see both sides, and to hear marched his column confined in the Model School after 8:30 I had learned that the cable and press Capt. Haldane says that after several the control of the British, and that noth-

> censor to pass under his blue pencil. I therefore drew the natural inference that moved elsewhere in a few days, when it was hoped the two men would be able to escape.
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> But the removal of the prisoners was from Secretary Reitz, of the South Afri-

from Secretary Reitz, of the South African Republic, was placed in my hands inviting me to be the guest of the government and informing me that President Kruger's private car would be at my disposal to take me to Pretoria.

"When I accepted the invitation I did so in the same spirit in which I accepted the couriesy of Sir Alfred Milner and the governor general of the Portuguese province. I could see no wrong in visiting the land of the Boers when no wrong was charged in my visiting the British.

"My reception at Pretoria did not materially differ from that accorded me at the other places named. I was met at the other places named. I was met at the station by prominent Boer officials, headed by Secretary Reitz, and cordially welcomed. I was driven to the hotel, and was shown everything noteworthy in and about the capital of the republic.

was shown everything noteworthy in an about the capital of the republic. I their visited Bloemfontein and the Free State Given Every Facility to Learn Facts.

"I was given every facility to make observations, and I saw the people of the twin republics under all conditions. I was

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State convention at Nashville in May. In practically every county of the State rival delegations were chosen by followers of Pension Commissioner H. Clay Evans and Congressman Brownlow. Both sets RESULTS IN OTHER OHIO CITIES of delegates will go into the State con ention claiming regularity, and there is little doubt that two sets of delegates to Two conventions were held simultan usly here to-day, at the home of Comdssioner Evans. Flery speeches wer made, each side flinging epithets such as "thieves," "traitors," &c., at the other The Evans wing indorsed for delegates at-large Hon. H. Clay Evans, James A Fowler, J. C. Napier, and James Jeffreys Resolutions drawn by Maj. C. R. Evan nephew of the Pension Commissioner, in McKinley's administration signation to the President as Assistant Evans' administration of the Pension Bu-'We denounce the tricky, dishonest

dishonorable, and disgraceful midnight tactics of a few unscrupulous partisans. claiming to be Republicans, who, in secret meeting, attempted grand larceny of the rights of the Republican party of Hamilton County, fearing to submit their claims to the people and the light of day. We condemn and repudiate the efforts of lican party the "Peter Turney, William Goebel" methods of subverting the will of the people. We denounce the use of corruption money sent by Washington pension-shark atterneys and Treasury looters into this county for the purpose of defeating Hon, H. Clay Evans, who has stood between their schemes and the

Treasury of the people."

The Brownlow wing, led by ex-Congressman Foster V. Brown, selected the rival delegation, and instructed them to vote for the Brownlow slate for delegates-at-large, as follows: Foster V. Brown, George N. Tillman, W. P. Brownow, and J. E. McCall. Nashville, Tenn., April 2.—The bitter-

ess of the fight between the Evans and Brownlow factions indicate that a split in the State convention can scarcely be avoided. Both factions had sent delegations to the State convention from about ten counties before to-day's conventions were held, and when all the returns are in from the conventions over the State to-day it will be found that there are contests in probably over one-third of the counties in the State.

Both factions are unviolding and as

Hen. Webster Davis.

than the fact that it had been received, and the officials declined to say whether it would be accepted.

As is well known, Mr. Davis, less than a week ago, returned from a visit to Cape Town, Lourenco Marquez, and the Boer republics, where he was a spectator of some of the most interesting features of the pending conflict. From his observations and careful study of the situation.

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### CAROLINA ELECTION BOARD.

Commissioner, with Extensive Powers, Takes Office-Appointments.

Raleigh, N. C., April 2.-The new State election board met for the first time today. It is composed of five Democrats, one Republican, and a Populist, and has quite extensive powers. Up to four years ago the State officers were a sort of ciection board, with power to open and declare returns, but not to go behind them. The new board has broader prerogatives. An election board of three

each political party shall use. No device is permitted.

There was, at a conference of Republicans at Statesville some months ago, talk of a plan to secure an injunction to prevent the State board from doing anything, but members of the board say this was mere talk, and that no attempt of the kind will be made.

## TAYLOR FOR SECOND PLACE.

Tennessee's Former Executive Suggested as a Running Mate for Col. Bryan.

pecial to The Post. Knoxville, Tenn., April 2.-Ex-Gov. Robert L. Taylor, of Tennessee, is being suggested as a candidate for the Vice Presi-dential nomination on the ticket with William J. Bryan. Hon. John T. Essary, who successfully managed Gov. Taylor's last campaign, has issued a letter to the latter's friends, suggesting such a candi-dacy, and announcing that a meeting will soon be held to discuss the advisability of rushing its claim.

It is argued that the South and West will largely be depended upon for Democratic success in November, and that being true, Tennessee's distinguished son has a just claim for the second place on the ticket. The suggestion has met favor here.

## SENATOR BUTLER CRITICISED.

His Attempts to Prevent Judge Ewart's Confirmation Cause Bitter Resentment. Raleigh, N. C., April 2.—The delay in the confirmation of Hon. H. G. Ewart as judge of the western Federal district and Senator Butler's attitude are stirring Republicans of this section to bitter resentment. County conventions are condemning Senator Butler, while

Ing Senator Butler, while indorsing the President and Senator Pritchard for standing by Ewart.

Some of the resolutions go so far as to declare that Senator Butler cannot receive the support of Republicans for reelection to the Senate, on account of his course in the Ewart matter.

## Republican Gain in Butte.

Butte, Mont., April 2.-The Democrats

### Novel Election Pight in Kansas. Topeka, Kan., April 2.-The election for

city offices in the town of Beattle, in Marshall County, to-day, was a contest between men and women, and the men won. A ticket composed entirely of women was elected a year ago. The womer officers, headed by Mrs. Elizabeth Totten omeers, headed by Mrs. Edzabeth Tot mayer, were candidates for re-elect The men rebelled against the strict hibition enforced by the women and entire men's ticket was elected with exception of clerks, one councilman, marshal. The latter is a man.

# Sixth Kansas District Democrats.

Colby, Kans., April 2.-The Democratic ongressional convention for the zixth Kansas district met here to-day. After appointing a committee to confer with the Populist convention, which meets here on Wednesday, the convention informally nominated Tully Scott for Congressman, and then adjourned until to-morrow when a further adjournment will be taken pending the efforts to induce the Populists to indorse the nomination.

### Signor Colombo Re-elected President. Rome, April 2.-The Chamber of Depu-

ties to-day re-elected Sig. Colombo president of the house by 25 to 158 votes. The latter votes were given to Sig. Biancheri. The Leftists repeated their usual tactics,

the City by 5,518.

Cleveland Solidly Republican, and Mayor Columbus and Dayton Are Carried by the Democrats-Michigan Democrats Score Gains Except in Detroit and Port Huron-King Elected to Congress in Utah.

Cincinnati, Ohio, April 2.- A summary of the results of the municipal and township elections in Ohio to-day indicate more Republican than Democratic gains, but no special cause for it is assigned, except that the Republican factions that have fighting for years have evidently been getting together, and that the Democrats have shown more indifference than usual. This applies especially to the larger cities but there have been Republican gains according to the returns from rural districts these men to introduce into the Republand interior towns that are not thus accounted for.

In Cleveland, where the factions have been most intense, the result is also de-cisive. A feature of the day has been the election of Dr. Washington Gladden as a councilman at Columbus, where the quetion of municipal franchises was a special

The Republicans elected their ticket at Toledo, where Mayor Samuel Jones has held sway as an independent factor for years. At Dayton the Democrats re-elect-ed Mayor Lindmuth. At some interior points the Republicans elected officers. As local issues were paramount at al-most all places, it is difficult to indicate any cause for the drift of public prefer-

The Republicans never scored such a ccess over the fusionists as at the election here to-day for all the city offices. They also have all members of the new board of public service for three years, which controls everything except the police and fire departments. The board of legislation stands twenty-four Republicans and seven Democrats, and the board of education twenty-four Republicans and seven Democrats.

Three years ago the fusion ticket was elected by a plurality of 7,445 on a total vote of 66,000. The total vote was about the same to-day, and the plurality about 5,500 on the other side. Then as now the fusion tickét was equally divided between the Democrats and what are known locally as "Republicans who are opposed to George B. Cox." The fusionists carried this city and county repeatedly. Last November they elected most of their ticket, the Republicans securing only one senator and two representatives out of

a delegation of fourteen assemblymen. Dissension in Fusion Ranks. The old fight against George B. Cox opened last month as vigorously as ever,

but the independent Republicans charged that the Democrats did not make the members for fully managed large interests. He each county, choosing the men recom-mended by the Democratic county chair-mended by the Democratic county chair-mended by the Democratic county chair-mended by the Democratic county chairmen, was appointed to-day. The State board will prescribe the kind of ticket McKinley from 1892 to 1896, and is a very each pelitical party shall use. No device close friend of Senator Hanna, who is said to have requested the young man to make the race. He was elected by over 8,500 plurality over State Senator Alfred

M. Cohen, the fusion candidate, together with the full Republican city ticket. There were six arrests for illegal voting. Complete returns show the following results: Majority of Fleischmann, Repubover Cohen, fusion, for mayor, 5.518. The majority of Robert Allison, Republican, receiving the highest number of votes for board of public service over Grogan, fusion, receiving the lowest number of votes, was 8,479. Holder's majority, Republican, over Noctor, fusion, for police court clerk, was 9.629.

Cleveland, Toledo, Columbus. Cleveland, Ohio, April 2.- The returns of the election indicate that Thomas H. Bell, Republican candidate for school director is elected over Samuel Briggs, Democrat, and Arthur F. May, non-partisan (Jones ite), by a plurality that will reach 8,000. Beli received almost as many votes as the other two candidates combined. The Republicans also elect four members of the school council, police judge, police clerk,

Columbus, Ohio, April 2.—Complete returns of to-day's election show that N. W. Dick, Democrat, has been elected police and the board of directors in the lice judge over M. B. Earnhart, Republican, by 508 votes. The total vote was 22,140. Last spring the Republicans elected a mayor by about 1,500. The council independents. The proposition to issue \$350,000 bonds for a market house was de-

licans elect the rest of their city ticket with the exception of waterworks trustee and street commissioner

to-day, with a comparatively light vote, was a walkover for J. R. Lindmuth, Dem-Georgia Community Under Arms Hunting ocratic candidate for mayor, by a majority of about 3,000 Wooster, Ohio, April 2.-The Democrats

elect four members of the council; Re-publicans, one. The township is Demono political change of officials.

has been Republican for years, is a tie.

Tiffin, Ohio, April 2.—Tiffin is normally

Evans and Brownlow Factions Both Elect
Delegates—Hot Evans Resolutions.

Special to The Post.
Chattanooga, Tenn., April 2.—Primaries were held in every county of the State today to select delegates to the Republican State convention at Naghville in May. In

Youngstown, Ohio, April 2.—The Republicans carried this city to-day, electing Frank Brown mayor by a majority of about 1,660; C. J. Matter, solicitor, and W. A. Beecher, trustee of waterworks, completely revolutionizing the municipal dministration, which for the past fou ontinues Republican by two majority, as does the board of education.

Marietta, Ohio, April 2.-The Repub cans elected their city ticket for the first time by 100. W. E. Sykes was elected mayor. The Republicans lose the city engineer only.

Springfield, Ohio, April 2.-Springfield went Republican by 500 majority, electing Keller for waterworks trustee. It was an even break on councilmen as compare with last year, while three members of the board of education were elected by both parties. There is no change in the olitical complexion of the city.

Hamilton, Chio, April 2.-The Democrats elected the entire city ticket by a major ty of about 900, a falling off of about 100. Lima, Ohio, April 2.—The Republicans carried the city by about 1,200 for mayor cilmen. At the last election the Democrats ected the mayor by about 1,000.

Fostoria, Ohio, April 2.—For township trustee, John H. Zeller, Democrat, defeat-ed George Acker by 300. The Republicans gained one councilman and lost three as-

Canton, Ohio, April 2.- The Republican elected their entire city ticket by majorities ranging from 800 to 1,200. The big plu-ralities were on members of the school board, in which the women participated. About sixteen hundred Republicans elected four out of seven councilmen. The Reublicans get control of the school board, which last year was unanimously Demo

Democratic Victories in Michigan.

Detroit, Mich., April 2.- The Democrats nade several striking gains in the mu icipal and township elections held in all Michigan cities to-day except Detroit and Port Huron. At Lansing J. F. Hammeli was elected by 316 majority, the first Democratic mayor in ten years. Mayor George R. Perry, Democrat, was re-elected at Grand Rapids over ex-Mayor Stuart by 1,388 majority. His majority last year was only 728. There is a strong Holland Dutch vote in Grand Rapids, and dissatisfaction with the administration's course toward the Boers is believed to be reflect-Both candidates ran on liberal administration of the laws platforms.

At Petoskey, which has hitherto been Republican, the Democrats carried two of the three wards, and elected P. B. Wachte! mayor. Hudson and Ann Arbor both show Democratic gains. At Big

St. Louis, Stanton, and West Bay

Every Ward in Hartford Republican. Hartford, Conn., April 2.-The city elecion to-day resulted in Alexander Harbielected by a majority of 3,200 over Will-

other contest on the city ticket was Ran-

## NORFOLK AND WESTERN CONTROL.

President Fink Admits Pennsylvania's Purchase-There Will Be No Dictation.

New York, April 2.—President Henry tariff can be imposed on the people of Missouri,

Boyden, fusion, received 3.143 majority.

Toledo, Ohio, April 2.—The Republican city ticket was elected by about 2,000, but the Democratic gains in the council will probably give its control to that party.

"The newly-acquired interest of the Pennsylvania in Norfolk and Western." lar possessions. He took strong ground against the acquisition of Spanish terripostal past four months has prompted large inwhich he voted, but said that as long as this territory, remained under American James Melvin is elected to the non-parti- vestments in Baltimore and Ohio and san school board, and the other member Chesapeake and Ohio. In none of these control he would advocate and elected with him is probably John W. cases have the purchases been large

## WOMAN ASSAULTED BY NEGRO.

for Assailant-His Second Offense. Bloomingdale, Ga., April 2.-This evening, about dark, Mrs. F. W. Hart, a reectable white woman, was overpowered and assaulted by Allen Brooks, a negro.

Brs. Hart was waylaid on her way home purposes. cratic by seventy-five majority. There is Brs. Hart was waylaid on her way home from a neighboring house. The negro es-

Democratic by a large majority. Bernard, Republican, however, was elected street commissioner by over 460 majority. The ward tickets elected are all Democratic, except Whalen for assessor.

Dynamic name for cores of Cox. Cox. Dending to recover the duties already paid as evidence "that those great corporations, trusts, and monopolica, instead by some unknown person placing on the veranda a package of dynamite addressed state." commissioner by over 400 majority. The ward tickets elected are all Democratic, except Whalen for assessor.

Ironton, Ohlo, April 2.—The municipal election to-day resulted in the election of the Republican ticket, except two councilmen and one member of the board of education. A light vote was polled for all offices, except for the board of education. Massillon, Ohlo, April 2.—The Republican to the machine would have expided.

Massillon, Ohlo, April 2.—The Republican teads for all offices, except for the board of education. Massillon, Ohlo, April 2.—The Republican to the police that in drawing out the lid the machine would have expided. Mr. Cox reported to the police that he was warned last night that an attempt on his life would be made.

# WILL BE PASSED TO-DAY

### Safe Majority for the Porto Rican Tariff Bill.

MESSAGE WILL NOT BE UPHELD

esterday Was Devoted to Speech-making, Senator Depew's Effort Attracting the Largest Amount of Popular Attention and Senator Spooner Contributing the Most Elaborate Constitutional Argument -Mr. Cullom Will Support the Measure.

TWO REPUBLICAN VIEWS.

President McKinley: "Our plain duty is to abolish the customs tariffs be-tween the United States and Porto Rico, and give her products free access to our markets."

Senator Spooner: "Nothing more brutal could be devised by Congress than the free trade proposition in the first draft of the Porto Rico bill." The combined Porto Rican tariff and ivit government bill will be voted upon n the Senate at 4 o'clock this afternoon. It will be passed by a majority ranging from eleven to fifteen. Previous to the rote upon the measure the fate of several proposed amendments will be decided. The closest vote will be upon the absolute free trade amendment of Senator Nelson Senator Lindsay, but even this will be defeated by a majority of seven against it. Forty-four Republicans, together with Teller, McEnery, and Jones, of Nevada, will be recorded for it, a total of fortyseven. The minority of forty will consist of Republicans, Democrats, and Populists. The Republicans will be Messrs, Nelson, Davis, Proctor, Wellington, Hoar, Beveridge, Mason, and Simon. Some of these Senators, including Mr. Beveridge, will

vote for the bill after all the amen have been defeated, thus increasing the majority for the measure. No votes were taken yesterday, the day being entirely devoted to speeches, which were delivered in the hearing of crowded galleries. Mr. Vest began the session with a brief statement of his opposition, and was followed by Senators Bate, Cul-lom, Depew, Spooner, Perkins, and Simon. Mr. Cullom's announcement of his inten tion to support the bill removed all doubt of his position, which for some time ha been a matter of interest in view of the fact that he is a candidate for re-election and that all of the Chicago newspapers have been vigorous advocates of the free both show Democratic gains. At Big Rapids the Democratic gains. At Big Rapids the Democratic gains. At Big Rapids the Democratic stream of the Republican majorities of last year by half. Democratic Mayor W. B. Baum was reelected at Saginaw. although by a reduced majority. Ludington, Lapeer, Alpena, Mount Clemens, Sturgis, Traverse City. St. Clair, Ypsilanti, St. Ignace, Niles, and Adrian also went Democratic tickets were in the field, and the Republicans elected their candidate for mayor, the Democrats electing the rest of the ticket. At Eaton Rapids the Republican ticket was elected, and at Hastings the Republicans were successful for the first time in the city's history. St. Joseph and Grand Haven also went Republican.

Later returns show that the Republicans were also victorious in Albion, Benton Harbor, Cadillac, Coldwater, Coruna, East Tawas, Holland, Kalamazoo, Marine City, Mason, Midland, Monroe, Mount Pleasant, Negaunee, Niles, Owosso, St. Louis, Stanton, and West Bay

City. trade idea. The position taken by the other Senators was not at variance with

Senator Vest Quotes a Case. As soon as the bill was laid before the Senate yesterday, Mr. Vest directed atten-tion to a notable case, which, he said, had been overlooked in all the arguments A sailor named Ross had shipped on an Republican candidate, being American merchantman from New York iam Waldo Hyde, Democrat. Harbison murdered a fellow-seaman on the vessel's carried every ward in the city. The only deck, and was convicted and sentenced other contest on the city ticket was Ranson M. Fitzgerald against Frederick West for collector. Fitzgerald (Democrat) being elected by 2.500 majority. The First Ward, a Democratic stronghold, was carried for the Republican ticket for the first time in its history. The common council will stand 48 Republicans to 12 Democrats. Stamford, Conn., April 2.—At the city election to-day Homer S. Cummings (Democrat) was elected mayor by 104 plurality over E. J. Tupper (Republican), the present incumbert. The next common council, however, will consist of five Represent incumbert. The next common council, however, will consist of five Republicans and four Democrats.

Mr. Vest said he would

Mr. Vest said he would like any Senator to explain how the Supreme Court could come to that conclusion, and state emphatically that within the territorial limits of the United States the Constitution applies without act of Congress or treaty stipulation, and yet agree that a different tariff can be imposed on the recent

school council. police judge, police clerk, and two magistrates by majorities running above 10,000. They will retain control of the city council. This is not a change of officials.

Milliken, Republican, for auditor, over Boyden, fusion, received 3,143 majority.

Toledo, Ohio, April 2.—The Republican

Confirmed the report that the Pennsylvania had purchased a considerable amount of the company's common and preferred stock, though the total is far from enough, he said, to indicate a change in control.

"The newly-acquired interest of the Pennsylvania in Norfolk and Western." this territory remained under American

supersede the Constitution.

Mr. Bate opposed the tariff between the can, by 508 votes. The total vote was 22,140. Last spring the Republicans elected a mayor by about 1,500. The council stands 10 Republicans, 7 Democrats, and 2 independents. The proposition to issue the board of directors and their likely specified by a market house was de-Butte, Mont., April 2.—The Democrats elected five out of the eight aldermen today. This is a loss of two for the Democratic and makes the city council a tie. With a Democratic mayor.

Anaconda, Mont., April 2.—Three Democratic to-day, the Democratic elected to-day. Little interest was were elected to-day. Little interest was taken.

Helena, Mont., April 2.—In the municipal election here to-day the Republican, by 168 plurality. The Republicans also elected six of the seven also and select the rest of their city ticket.

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Findlay, Ohio, April 2.—George Neimyer, Democrat, was defeated for re-election as mayor to-day by Charles E. Watson, Republicans of the seven also and three move to stop rate-cutting is senseless. We have for a number of years had very close traffic relations, and there have been no disputes. As for buying to checkmate some probable purchase by the Southern Railway, I don't think the Southern Ra lons, and convictions of the people represented by the administration. That treaty has proved itself to be the Pandora Eox out of which has flown all

Nenia, Ohio, April 2.—Link Hart, Republican, was elected mayor over Prugh, Independent, and Baldner, Democrat. The proposition to build a courthouse for \$20,000 carried by \$60 majority.

Mansfield, Ohio, April 2.—The Democrats here to-day elected a water works trustee and justice of the peace. The council is Democratic, and the school board, which has been Republican for years, is a tie.

Irom a neighboring house. The negro escaped into the woods.

Every white man of the neighborhood is under arms, and a thorough search is being made for Brooks. This is his section of offense of the kind. A few months ago he committed a similar assault upon a colored woman at Pooler, Ga. Should he be caught there is little doubt that he will be lynched, notwithstanding officers them. They would go to the importers has been Republican for years, is a tie.